

# 2012 Charter Revision Committee Meeting Boards and Commissions Room at City Hall, Room 1101 February 2, 2012 Minutes

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chair Gonzalo Barrientos. A quorum was present (Committee members Butts, Lenzy-Jones, and Menicucci absent).

- 1. APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 19, 2012 MEETING Motion by Lewis, second by Linder. Motion passed on a vote of 12-0.
- 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The member of the public signed up to speak on this item was Ora Houston. The member of the public signed up but not wishing to speak was Lorraine Atherton.

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation by the Charter Amendment Working Group regarding proposed recommendations related to an independent redistricting commission and limited purpose annexation notice.

Members of the public signed up to speak on this item were Rep. Eddie Rodriguez, Gavino Fernandez, Susana Almanza, Peggy Vazquez, Roscoe Overton, and Jacob Limone. Members of the public signed up but not wishing to speak were Stephanie Collins. The Committee took no action on the limited purpose annexation proposal.

(Committee members Lenzy-Jones present 6:45, Butts present 6:50, and Menicucci present 7:00.)

- B. Recommendation regarding whether or not to change the current council structure. Motion by Vice Chair Kitchen to change current council structure to some form of geographic representation, second by Lewis. Motion passed on a vote of 14-1 (Rigsbee voting nay).
- C. Recommendation regarding whether to transition to a new structure via an independent districting commission.

Motion by Moffat that the ballot item to transition to some form of geographic representation include an independent districting commission, second by Lenzy-Jones. Accepted amendment by Kitchen to include in the motion Working Group's detailed independent districting commission recommendations. Accepted amendment by Siff to include in the motion Lorraine Atherton's related letter (see citizen communication document). Motion passed on a vote of 13-2 (Butts and McGhee voting nay).

D. Recommendation regarding a new council structure.

Motion by Linder for a 10-1 council structure, second by Lewis. Amended motion by Vice Chair Kitchen for a 10-2-1 council structure, second by Moffat; motion on amendment failed on a vote of 7-8 (Barrientos, Cantu, Garza, Lenzy-Jones, Lewis, Linder, Rigsbee, and Vale voting nay). Original motion passed on a vote of 8-7 (Kitchen, Butts, Jung, McGhee, Menicucci, Moffat, and Siff voting nay).

## 4. HOUSEKEEPING MATTERS

Commission will meet one more time to review draft report.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn; motion passed.